

**Personals**

Louis Newman, Sr., is spending the week in Baltimore.

Mrs. L. W. Anderson has returned from a visit to her mother, Mrs. C. W. Young, in Raleigh.

Mrs. Annie Brinkley, of Cypress, Va., is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Z. A. Harris.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. McMullan, of Washington, D. C., spent the week-end with Mr. McMullan's mother, Mrs. W. T. McMullan.

Miss Ruth Alice Ward had as a week-end guest Miss Alice Baldwin, of Ahoskie.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis Perry, of Windsor, spent the week-end with Mrs. Perry's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Riddick.

Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Mathews, of Burgess, were in Hertford on Saturday.

Mrs. Roye Parks, of Ryland, was in Hertford on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Edwards, of Greenville, were week-end guests of Mr. Edwards' parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. C. Edwards.

R. A. White, of Weldon, is visiting his family here this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Heywood Butler, of Wilson, spent the week-end with Mr. Butler's parents, Rev. A. A. Butler and Mrs. Butler.

Mrs. C. E. Barber has returned from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. R. L. Knowles, in the country.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilkins, of Norfolk, spent the week-end with Mrs. K. R. Newbold.

Mrs. R. Q. Skinner, who has been very sick, is convalescing.

Mrs. C. A. Withrow and her little daughter, Virginia, of Norfolk, are visiting Mrs. Withrow's mother, Mrs. K. R. Newbold. They will remain in Hertford through the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Frank Banks, of Norfolk, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. R. Q. Skinner.

**Bethel G. A. And R. A. Enjoyed Party Friday**

The G. A. and R. A. Societies of the Bethel Baptist Church gave a most delightful party Friday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Perry. Games and contests were enjoyed with Maynard Fleetwood, Jr., and Sarah E. Chappell winning prizes. Delicious refreshments were served.

Those present were Evelyn Long, Marjorie Proctor, Nelle Williams, Maude Keaton, Eunice Long, Cornie Lee Ward, Margaret Standin, Eloise Keaton, Marge Long, Louise Mansfield, Sarah E. Chappell, Sadie Standin, Elizabeth Simpson, Howard Long, Wallace Hobbs, Maynard Fleetwood, Jr., Julian Long, Carroll Dail, Edgar Long, Frank Ward, Vance Proctor, Emmett Long, Dewey Perry, Jr., and Mrs. J. C. Hobbs, and Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Perry.

**Postoffice Anxious To Give Good Service**

It was announced today by Postmaster J. Edgar Morris, that the Postoffice will be open all day Saturday December 19th. for the accommodation of its patrons who wish to mail articles for Christmas. The office has been closing every Saturday at 1 PM since the office became second class on July 1st this year, and the keeping open all day on Saturday before Christmas does not effect other Saturdays, but is simply being done to help the patrons with their Christmas mailing.

Another change from ordinary routine is that City delivery will be made on Saturday afternoon, December 19th, and it requested that patrons served by city carrier refrain from calling at the office for letters on this afternoon, as they will be delivered. Every other duty of the office will be carried out on this afternoon, however, and patrons are urged to call for parcels which they have been notified are at the office. It is also urged by the postmaster that persons wishing to mail Christmas gifts, to go any great distance to mail them during next week. One of the main reasons for the office being kept open on Saturday afternoon before Christmas is to enable patrons mailing gift parcels any distance may do so.

**BIRTHDAY PARTY**

A delightful surprise birthday dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Chappell, in the Piney Woods community, on Thursday, in honor of the 79th birthday of Mr. Chappell.

The dining room was attractively decorated for the occasion, and a large birthday cake formed the centerpiece for the table. A delicious old fashioned country dinner was served.

Mr. Chappell was presented with many beautiful and useful gifts.

Those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Chappell, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Chappell, Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Chappell, Mr. and Mrs. Nerius Chappell, Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Raper, Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Perry, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Chappell, Mrs. W. P. Chappell, Thomas, David and Nerius Chappell, Jr., Dewey Perry, Jr., Misses Sybil, Emma, Jean, Willie Mae and Betty Lee Chappell, Margaret, Nona, Marie and Lisa Raper.

**Missionary Circle Named In Honor Of Mrs. J. H. Towe, Sr.**

A newly formed circle in the Missionary Society of the Hertford Methodist Church is most appropriately named the Mary Towe Circle. This circle is named for Mrs. J. H. Towe, Sr., who has for many years been a leader in the missionary society work among the children of the church. Mrs. Towe has been unable for some time to continue her active work among the children, having been confined to her room for several months by illness.

The leader of the Mary Towe Circle is Mrs. Towe's daughter, Miss Mary Towe.

**BETHEL NEWS**

Mrs. M. I. Charlton returned home Sunday from Norfolk, where she has been visiting relatives for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Ward spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Reed near Hertford.

Franklin Jordan, of Hertford Road, W. P. Long and C. T. Phillips made a business trip to Moyock Monday.

Miss Lucille Long, who teaches at Winfall, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Long.

Mr. and Mrs. Karmar Williams are visiting relatives at Englehard.

Jessie Curtis, Mrs. W. E. Curtis, Mrs. R. F. Standin and daughter, Miss Margaret Standin, spent the week-end in Norfolk visiting relatives.

Thomas Phillips has returned to Washington, D. C., after a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Phillips.

Mrs. John Morris has returned to her home at Cannons Ferry after a few days visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Parrish.

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Evans and children, Lloyd, Della, and Roy, of near Yeopim Station, visited Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Long Sunday afternoon.

**Says America Now In New Era Of Land Use**

Addressing the annual session of the North Carolina State Grange in Raleigh last night, H. H. Bennett, Chief of the Soil Conservation Service, Washington, D. C., told members that in the last few years the country has made a far greater advance toward the conservation of soil resources than in all preceding years since the United States became a nation.

"The national program of soil and water conservation now in progress has carried us into a new era of land use," he said. "Land defense is replacing the old system of land waste and exploitation."

In North Carolina alone farmers representing more than 400,000 acres are cooperating with the Soil Conservation Service and the State College Extension Service to conserve the soil, Bennett declared. Accomplishments in North Carolina are typical, he said, "not only of work here but also in Virginia and South Carolina and on to the Pacific and Canadian border."

Describing his observation on a 3,000-mile inspection tour of seven southern states, Bennett stated that "the condition of our agricultural land in southeastern farming states is grim evidence that people of this youthful nation have squandered their rich heritage of productive land more rapidly than any other nation, civilized or barbaric, of which we have any record."

Bennett pointed out, however, that a tremendous area of good soil throughout the region is still fertile and productive. Many acres that elude through the use of proven measures for conserving rainfall and controlling erosion, he said.

Continuation of the present policy of working agreeably and cooperatively with farmers and state and federal agencies will "forthwith" bring a solution to the national problem of unnecessary and costly land destruction and decline, Bennett concluded.

**Chevrolet Breaks All November Records**

Chevrolet production for November exceeded that of any previous November in the 25-year history of the company, summaries of official figures revealed this week, with a total of 112,229 cars distributed from the company's factories.

Domestic production for the month was 95,022; export production, 12,353; and Canadian production, 4,354. The total was 3,563 more cars than the 108,875 produced in November, 1935, which was the previous record.

At the same time, company officials said, unfilled orders for the new Chevrolet are running far ahead of last year, with 96,084 customers' orders still to be met.

Factory production schedules have been stepped up to more than 6,000 cars a day in an effort to keep up with popular demand, with plants working at capacity.

The first and most important step toward improvement is the decision to improve.

**"Natchel" Program Makes Bow On Radio**

Much interest is being shown in the radio feature recently inaugurated by the Natural Chilean Nitrate people, now a regular program on twelve leading southern stations.

The leading characters are Uncle Natchel and Sonny. The former is a sage old darkey whose name derives from his intense love for "natchel things." The latter is his small white charge, the son of Natchel's employer, whose adventures and schemes are those that are natural in the life of a typical farm boy.

Uncle Natchel is played by Frank Wilson, who portrayed "Moses" in both the stage and film version of Green Pastures. Sonny is James Franklyn Allen, a Tennessee boy of nine, who already has shown marked talent in radio and motion picture roles.

Uncle Natchel and Sonny are supported by a well balanced cast of radio players, and the many musical numbers arranged by the author, Mrs. Florence Richardson, an authority on Southern folk lore and old Negro songs, are especially appealing. The two leading characters, Uncle Natchel and Sonny, have been featured periodically for three years on the Natural Chilean Nitrate calendar.

**Annual Christmas Party Be Broadcast To Far Away Lands**

Due to the current international complications, the good will angle of the Fifth International Children's Christmas party to be broadcast on Monday, December 21 from the Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D. C., will be of especial interest to radio listeners the world over. Sponsored annually by the Greater National Capital Committee of the Washington Board of Trade, the broadcast has become an institution, with the sons and daughters of diplomats stationed in the Nation's Capital, extending Christmas greetings to the children of this country on behalf of the youngsters of their native lands.

Always make it your business to keep your leader supplied with about a dozen cans of soups, meats and fruits. When an unexpected guest arrives for lunch, you will then be able to serve a good meal.

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